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Easton

New Hampshire



ONE HUNDRED NINETEENTH ANNUAL REPORT

**Year Ending
December 31, 1995**

*This year's annual town report
is dedicated to*



MARY ELLEN BARNES

She served for many years on the planning board and was instrumental in the complete revision of the Town's zoning ordinance.

She has been involved in a quiet way in many other matters of service to the town, and is still a valued member of our community.

Town of Easton, New Hampshire
Annual Report
of the Town Officers
Year Ended December 31, 1995

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TOWN OFFICERS AND BOARD MEMBERS

ELECTED

Board of Selectmen

Elizabeth Rodrigue--1996

Gregory M. Sorg--1997

Pamela McLaren--1998

Town Clerk

Barbara J. Collier

Treasurer

Kim Donovan

Auditor

Ralph Brigida

Tax Collector

Barbara J. Collier

Moderator

Stephen North--1996

Lafayette School Board

Darlene Coursey

Trustee of Trust Funds

Mary Ann Chippendale

Cemetery Trustees

Gregory M. Sorg--1996

Robert Every--1997

Carole Hutton--1998

Planning Board

James Collier--1996

Andrew Noyes--1997

Maurice Rodrigue--1997

Gregory M. Sorg--1998

Elizabeth Rodrigue (Ex Officio)

Library Trustees

Eunice Woods--1996

Carole Hutton--1997

Priscilla Phipps--1998

Supervisors of Checklist

Patricia Every--1996

Nancy Feenstra--1998

Lois Hackett--2000

APPOINTED

Fire Chief

Joseph Duggan

Chief of Police

Robert Every

Librarian

Harriet Taylor

Zoning Board of Adjustment

Robert Every

Dennis Ford

Joseph Exley

Karl Hunninghaus

Marjorie Libby

Mary Ann Brooks (Alt. & Sec.)

Pamela McLaren (Ex Officio)

TOWN MEETING WARRANT

1996

To the inhabitants of the Town of Easton in the county of Grafton, qualified to vote in town affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall in said Town on Tuesday, March 12, 1996. Polls will be open from 3:00 to 6:00 pm for ballot voting on Article 1.

ARTICLE 1. To choose all necessary officers for the ensuing year (ballot vote).

The Town's annual business meeting will follow at 7:00 pm To act upon the following subjects:

ARTICLE 2. To see if the Town will vote to adopt the following amendment to the Easton Zoning Ordinance, as proposed by Petition, which would amend subsection (e) of Section 803 so that it would hereafter read in its entirety as follows:

"(e) Off-premise signs may be permitted as special exceptions, except that in the case of a single "House For Sale" sign, the following simplified procedure shall be followed:

"The Applicant, with written permission of the person on whose land the sign would be located, may apply, on a form acceptable to the Selectmen, for permission to erect, for a period of six months, a single "House For Sale" sign that conforms in all respects to the requirements of this Section. The Selectmen may, at the end of any six month period, extend permission for the sign's placement for an additional period of six months. The Selectmen shall have the authority to revoke permission at any time; provided, however, that in the event that the Selectmen were to deny or revoke permission to erect such a sign, the Applicant may apply directly to the Zoning Board of Adjustment for a special exception." (The Planning Board approves this amendment.)

ARTICLE 3. To see if the Town will vote to adopt the following proposed Town ordinance:

"1. Junk Yards--No person shall establish a place of business which is maintained, operated, or used for storing or keeping, for sale or resale, old or scrap copper; brass; rope; rags; batteries; paper; trash; rubber debris; waste; junked, dismantled or wrecked automobiles or parts thereof; iron; steel; and other old or scrap ferrous or non-ferrous material, and no person shall accumulate any such materials, whether or not for sale or resale, where it may be seen from any other property or public highway." (The Selectmen recommend this article.)

ARTICLE 4. To see if the Town will vote to adopt the following proposed Town ordinance:

"5.2 Hazardous Waste--No person shall dispose anywhere in the Town of Easton anything defined by Federal or State law as hazardous waste." (The Selectmen recommend this article.)

ARTICLE 5. To see if the Town will vote to adopt the following proposed Town ordinance:

"5.3 Rubbish--Except for vegetable matter and kitchen garbage capable of being composted, rubbish and household waste shall be disposed of only at the Tri-Town Recycling Center in Franconia, or such other place as may be designated in the future by the Town for that purpose, in accordance with applicable rules and regulations." (The Selectmen recommend this article.)

ARTICLE 6. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$93,782.00 for general Town operations:

4130 - Executive	\$ 7,495.00
4140 - Election, Registration & Vital Statistics	2,234.00
4150 - Financial Administration	1,900.00
4152 - Revaluation of Property	500.00
4153 - Legal Expense	1,200.00
4155 - Personnel Administration	650.00
4191 - Planning & Zoning	385.00
4194 - General Government Buildings	2,950.00
4195 - Cemeteries	1,180.00
4196 - Insurance	2,550.00
4197 - Advertising & Regional Associations	1,145.00
4199 - Contingency Fund	5,000.00
4210 - Police Department	4,300.00
4215 - Ambulance Service	1,300.00
4220 - Fire Department	12,450.00
4290 - Forest Fire Fighting & Training	500.00
4299 - Communications (Enhanced 911)	1,320.00
4312 - Highways	24,000.00
4323 - Hazardous Waste Collection	233.00
4324 - Solid Waste Disposal	11,978.00
4414 - Animal Control	100.00
4415 - Health Agencies	1,101.00
4419 - Hospice	200.00
4442 - Welfare/General Assistance	500.00
4449 - Tri-County Community Action	375.00
4520 - Recreation Programs	3,618.00
4550 - Library	200.00
4612 - Conservation Commission	200.00
4711 - Principal, long-term Debt	1,800.00
4721 - Interest, long-term Debt	2,168.00
4723 - Interest, Tax Anticipation Note	250.00
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	\$ 93,782.00

ARTICLE 7. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$6,000.00 to re-surface as much of Paine Road as possible beyond what was done last year. (The Selectmen recommend this article.)

ARTICLE 8. To see if the town will vote to appropriate \$2,500.00 from its accumulated surplus to purchase a computer and necessary accessories and insurance for the Town. (The Selectmen recommend this article.)

ARTICLE 9. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate up to \$15,000.00 from its accumulated surplus to reduce its indebtedness on the note for the construction of the fire house. (The Selectmen recommend this article.)

ARTICLE 10. To see if the Town will authorize the establishment of a Capital Reserve Fund for the purpose of replacing all the windows in the Town Hall with vinyl-clad double-paned combination windows, and to appropriate \$5,000.00 from its accumulated surplus to be placed in this fund towards this purpose, and to appoint the Selectmen as agents to administer this fund. (The Selectmen recommend this article.)

ARTICLE 11. To see if the Town will authorize the establishment of a Capital Reserve Fund for the future revaluation of the Town, and to appropriate \$10,000.00 from its accumulated surplus to be placed in this fund towards this purpose, and to appoint the Selectmen as agents to administer this fund. (The Selectmen recommend this article.)

ARTICLE 12. To see if the Town will authorize the establishment of a Capital Reserve Fund for the eventual purchase of a replacement fire truck, and to appropriate \$10,000.00 from its accumulated surplus to be placed in this fund towards this purpose, and to appoint the Selectmen as agents to administer this fund. (The Selectmen recommend this article.)

ARTICLE 13. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$500.00 for the support of the Big Brothers/Big Sisters of Northern New Hampshire program administered by the Tri-County Community Action Program. (The Selectmen do not recommend this article.)

ARTICLE 14. To see if the Town will vote to close the Easton Free Public Library for a period of five years unless a minimum \$500.00 appropriation is approved. (The Selectmen recommend this article. This article is also recommended by the Trustees of the Library.)

ARTICLE 15. To act upon any other business that may legally come before this meeting.

Elizabeth Rodrigue
Gregory M. Sorg
Pamela McLaren
Selectmen of Easton

BUDGET OF THE TOWN OF EASTON

Expenditures

PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATION		Approp. <u>1995</u>	Actual Expenditures <u>1995</u>	Approp. <u>1996</u>
General Government:				
4130	Executive	\$ 6,375.00	\$ 6,408.00	\$ 7,495.00
4140	Election, Reg., & Vital Statistics	1,200.00	1,200.00	2,234.00
4150	Financial Administration	2,000.00	2,223.00	1,900.00
4152	Revaluation of Property	500.00	748.00	500.00
4153	Legal Expense	1,200.00	1,200.00	1,200.00
4155	Personnel Administration	300.00	298.00	650.00
4191	Planning and Zoning	1,000.00	918.00	385.00
4194	General Government Building	5,628.00	5,628.00	2,950.00
4195	Cemeteries	850.00	850.00	1,180.00
4196	Insurance	3,500.00	3,042.00	2,550.00
4197	Advertising and Regional Ass'ns.	1,125.00	1,124.00	1,145.00
4199	Other General Government (Contingency Fund)	5,000.00	3,226.00 ⁽¹⁾	5,000.00
Public Safety:				
4210	Police	4,900.00	3,948.00	4,300.00
4215	Ambulance	1,300.00	1,300.00	1,300.00
4220	Fire	12,800.00	12,693.00	12,450.00
4290	Emergency Mgt.	500.00	460.00	500.00
4299	Other Public Safety (Including (Communications/Enhanced 911)	-0-	-0-	1,320.00
Highways and Streets:				
4312	Highways & Streets (Art. 6 & 7)	30,000.00	28,413.00	30,000.00
Sanitation:				
4323	Solid Waste Collection	233.00	-0-	233.00
4324	Solid Waste Disposal	11,550.00	10,974.00	11,978.00
Health:				
4414	Pest Control	100.00	-0-	100.00
4415	Health Agencies and Hospitals (Hospice)	1,215.00	1,215.00	1,301.00
Welfare:				
4442	Direct Assistance	500.00	-0-	500.00
4449	Intergovernmental Welfare Payments	325.00	325.00	375.00
Culture and Recreation:				
4520	Parks and Recreation	2,500.00	2,500.00	3,618.00
4550	Library	500.00	593.00	200.00
Conservation:				
4612	Purchase of Natural Resources (Easton Conservation Commission)	200.00	200.00	200.00

Debt Service:

4711	Princ.-Long Term			
	Bonds & Notes (Art. 9)	1,800.00	1,800.00	16,800.00
4721	Interest-Long Terms Bonds & Notes	2,274.00	2,274.00	2,168.00
4723	Interest on TAN	100.00	-0-	250.00

Capital Outlay:

4901	Land and Improvements	150.00	145.00	-0-
4902	Mach., Veh., & Equip. (Art. 8)	-0-	-0-	2,500.00

Operating Transfers Out

4915	To Capital Reserve Fund (Art.10-11-12)	-0-	-0-	25,000.00
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Total Appropriations

\$99,625.00	\$93,705.00	\$142,282.00
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(1) 1995 Actual

<u>Acct.</u>	<u>Expenditure</u>
4140:	\$1,350.00
4153	\$ 972.00
4194:	\$ 593.00
4520:	\$ 311.00
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	\$3,226.00

BUDGET OF THE TOWN OF EASTON

Revenue

SOURCES OF REVENUE	Estimated <u>1995</u>	Actual <u>1995</u>	Estimated <u>1996</u>
Taxes:			
3180 Resident Taxes	\$ 30.00	-0-	-0-
3185 Yield Taxes	3,301.00	1,745.00	1,370.00
3190 Interest & Penalties on Delinquent Taxes	1,730.00	3,932.00	3,000.00
Licenses, Permits and Fees:			
3210 Business Licenses and Permits	-0-	440.00	100.00
3220 Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	25,000.00	26,160.00	25,000.00
3230 Building Permits	180.00	235.00	200.00
3290 Other Licenses, Permits & Fees	333.00	491.00	350.00
From Federal government			
3319 Other (Payment in lieu of taxes)	-0-	9,457.00	8,000.00
From State			
3351 Shared Revenue	2,475.00	4,492.00	3,000.00
3353 Highway Block Grant	5,444.00	5,444.00	5,368.00
Charges for Services:			
3401 Income from Departments	-0-	240.00	150.00
Miscellaneous Revenues:			
3502 Interest on Investments	1,131.00	1,643.00	1,000.00
3509 Other	1,000.00	3,085.00	1,000.00
Interfund Operating Transfers In:			
3912 Special Revenue Fund	-0-	66.00	-0-
Other Financing Sources:			
From Surplus	-0-	-0-	52,500.00
Total Revenues and Credits	<hr/> 40,624.00	<hr/> 57,430.00	<hr/> 101,038.00
Total Appropriations			\$142,282.00
Less: Amount of Estimated Revenues, Exclusive of Property Taxes			<u>\$101,038.00</u>
Amount of Revenues to be Raised Through Property Taxes (Exclusive of School and County Taxes):			\$ 41,244.00

BALANCE SHEET OF THE TOWN OF EASTON
December 31, 1995
(Accrual Basis)

ASSETS

Cash Checking Account	\$162,718.46
Cash, Yield Tax	1,435.95
Uncollected Property Taxes (1995)	40,881.46
Less Reserve for Uncollected Taxes	(1,000.00)
Uncollected Property Taxes (1994)	5,762.59
Accrued Interest Receivable	794.00
Accounts Receivable (Revenue Sharing, State of New Hampshire)	3,161.84

\$ 213,754.30

LIABILITIES

School Taxes Payable	\$145,602.00
Yield Tax Bond Deposits	1,435.95
Accounts Payable	724.60
Overpayment of Property Taxes	14.53

\$ 147,777.08

Excess of Assets over Liabilities (Surplus) \$ 65,977.22

STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATIONS AND TAXES ASSESSED FOR 1995

Total Town Appropriations Budgeted		\$ 99,625.00	
Add: Overlay		15.00	
Add: War Service Credits		1,450.00	
Less: Town Revenues Budgeted		(40,624.00)	
Less: Shared Revenue To Town		(238.00)	
		<hr/>	\$ 60,228.00
Total School Appropriation		293,802.00	
Less: Shared Revenue		(1,659.00)	
		<hr/>	\$292,143.00
Total County Appropriation		36,807.00	
Less: Shared Revenue		(119.00)	
		<hr/>	\$ 36,688.00
Less: War Service Credits		(1,450.00)	
Less: Valuation Adjustment		(2,858.00)	
		<hr/>	(\$ 4,308.00)
		<hr/>	
Total Property Tax Commitment			\$384,751.00
		1995 Tax Rate	1994 Tax Rate
TOWN	\$ 2.34	15.00%	\$ 2.45 19.00%
COUNTY	1.43	9.00%	1.41 11.00%
SCHOOL	11.36	76.00%	9.20 70.00%
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	\$ 15.13/1000	100.00%	\$ 13.06/1000 100.00%

SUMMARY OF INVENTORY OF ASSESSED VALUATION FOR 1995

Land	\$12,185,453.00
Buildings	12,917,750.00
Electric Utilities	508,551.00
Less Blind Exemption	(30,000.00)
Less Elderly Exemption	(45,000.00)
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Net Valuation Upon Which Tax Rate is Computed	\$ 25,536,754.00
Decrease in Net Valuation over 1994	\$ 153,330.00

SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPERTY

Town Hall:		
Land	\$ 29,450.00	
Building	118,550.00	
Fire Station:		\$148,000.00
Building (at cost)	63,261.00	63,261.00
Personal Property:		
Furniture and Equipment	3,300.00	
Library--Furniture and Equipment	2,200.00	
Police Department--Equipment	1,200.00	
Fire Department--Equipment	26,00.00	
Fire Department--Trucks	16,500.00	
		\$ 49,200.00
Total Town Property		\$260,461.00

GENERAL LONG-TERM DEBT December 31, 1995 (Cash Basis)

	<u>Principal</u>	<u>Interest</u>	<u>Total</u>
Beginning Amount (Jan. 1, 1995)	\$39,602.86	-0-	-0-
Payments in 1995	1,800.00	\$2,273.62	4,073.62
Ending Amount (Dec. 31, 1995)	\$37,802.86		
Amount to be Provided for, 1996	\$ 1,800.00	\$ 2,262.62	\$ 3,967.88

AUDITOR'S REPORT

I have examined the reports and accounts from the Board of Selectmen, Tax Collector, Town Clerk, Treasurer, Trustees of the Trust Funds, Cemetery Trustees, Library Trustees, Conservation Commission and Fire Department of the Town of Easton for the year ended December 31, 1995. My examination was made in accordance with State of New Hampshire guidelines and generally accepted auditing standards as I deemed necessary in the circumstances.

In my opinion, these reports and accounts present fairly the financial position and results of operations of the Town of Easton for the year ended December 31, 1995.

Ralph Brigida, *Auditor*

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

Year Ended December 31, 1995

Revenues:

Motor Vehicle Registrations	\$ 26,160.00	
Titles	69.00	
Dogs	288.50	
Penalties	18.00	
Filings	6.00	
Municipal Agent	436.00	
Transfer Station Stickers	3.00	
	<hr/>	\$ 26,980.50

Less Statutory Fees Paid to Clerk

Motor Vehicles	\$ (459.00)	
Titles	(69.00)	
Dogs	(40.00)	
Municipal Agent	(436.00)	
	<hr/>	(\$ 1,004.00)

Net Income for Town	\$ 25,976.50
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Town Clerk Compensation:

Town Clerk's pay	500.00	
Town Clerk's fees, as above	1,004.00	
	<hr/>	\$ 1,504.00

Town Clerk Reimbursement:

Utilities Expense, Clerk's Office	293.74	
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Total Town Clerk Cost	\$ 1,797.74
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**There Were No Births, Marriages or Deaths in The Town of
Easton for the Year Ending December 31, 1995**

Respectfully submitted,
Barbara J. Collier, *Town Clerk*

Office Hours

Tuesday Morning
9 am -- 12 Noon

Thursday Afternoon
4 pm -- 6 pm

or
By Appointment

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

Summary of Warrants Levies of 1995 and Prior

DEBITS

Item:	<u>1995</u>	<u>1994 & Prior</u>
Uncollected Taxes--Beginning of Year:		
Property Taxes	N/A	\$ 32,301.61
Resident Taxes	N/A	180.00
Yield Taxes	N/A	1,556.85
Taxes Committed to Collector:		
Property Taxes	\$384,751.00	N/A
Yield Taxes	1,744.86	N/A
Overpayments:		
Property Taxes	14.53	147.82
Interest and Costs Collected on		
Delinquent Taxes	204.66	1,889.07
Penalties Collected on Resident Taxes	-0-	4.00
TOTAL DEBITS	\$386,715.05	\$ 36,079.35

CREDITS

Remitted to Treasurer During Year:		
Property Taxes	\$343,856.90	\$ 32,301.61
Resident Taxes	-0-	80.00
Yield Taxes	1,744.86	1,556.85
Interest	204.66	1,889.07
Penalties on Resident Tax	-0-	4.00
Overpayments	14.53	147.82
Abatements Allowed:		
Property Taxes	12.64	-0-
Resident Taxes	-0-	100.00
Uncollected Taxes End of Year		
Property Taxes	40,881.46	-0-
Total Credits	\$386,715.05	\$ 36,079.35

Summary of Tax Lien Accounts

<u>Tax Liens Executed to Town</u>	DEBITS		
	<u>1994</u>	<u>1993</u>	<u>1992</u>
Unredeemed Taxes Balance at Beginning of Fiscal Year	-0-	\$ 4,804.05	\$ 527.67
Liens executed during Fiscal Year	\$14,196.10	-0-	-0-
Interest Collected After Sale/Lien Execution	375.32	1,063.31	220.95
Total Debits	<u>\$ 14,571.42</u>	<u>\$ 5,867.36</u>	<u>\$ 748.62</u>
<u>Remittance to Treasurer</u>	CREDITS		
	<u>1994</u>	<u>1993</u>	<u>1992</u>
Redemptions	\$ 8,285.69	\$ 4,804.05	\$ 527.67
Interests and Costs	375.32	1,063.31	220.95
Abatements	147.82	-0-	-0-
Unredeemed Taxes, End of Year	5,762.59	-0-	-0-
Total Credits	<u>\$ 14,571.42</u>	<u>\$ 5,867.36</u>	<u>\$ 748.62</u>

1994 Tax Liens Balances Due December 31, 1995

Brooks, Mark & Maryanne
Dexter, Russell & Laurie
Sturtevant, B.F.
Locke, Irving

Amounts
Outstanding*
\$ 2,726.54
900.89
1,927.04
208.12

Total

\$ 5,762.59

*Including Accrued interest to December 31, 1995 at 18%

TREASURER'S REPORT

Year Ending December 31, 1995

Cash Summary

Bank Balance--January 1, 1995		\$140,445.65
Receipts, 1995:		
From Tax Collector--Property Taxes	390,056.36	
From Tax Collector--Resident Taxes	80.00	
From Tax Collector--Yield Taxes	3,301.71	
From Tax Collector--Interest, Costs & Penalties	3,639.22	
From Town Clerk	26,980.50	
From Federal Government	9,457.00	
From State of New Hampshire	8,003.68	
From Peoples Bank--Interest	1,643.37	
From Other Sources	7,120.19	
	<hr/>	450,282.03
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		590,727.68
Disbursements:		
To Grafton County	(36,807.00)	
To School Districts	(279,479.00)	
To Other Sources	(111,723.22)	
	<hr/>	(428,009.22)
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Bank Balance, December 31, 1995		\$162,718.46

Yield Tax Bond Account

Year Ending December 31, 1995

Balance on Hand January 1, 1995	\$ 1,397.05
Interest	38.90
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Balance on Hand December 31, 1995	\$ 1,435.95

Detail of Receipts **Year Ending December 31, 1995**

1080 -Property Tax	\$376,438.95
Resident Tax	80.00
1110 -Tax liens redeemed	13,617.41
3185 -Yield Tax	3,301.71
3190 -Property tax interest and costs	3,635.22
Resident tax penalty	4.00
3191 -J. Block, Retainer for Road Engineer	1,000.00
3210 -Filing fees	6.00
3220 -MV Permits and titles	26,229.00
3220 -MV Agent fees	436.00
3230 -Building permits	235.00
3290 -Dog licenses	288.50
3290 -Transfer station permits	3.00
3210 -Pistol permits	80.00
3290 -Dog penalties	18.00
3351 -Revenue Sharing	1,329.71
3353 -Highway Block Grant	5,145.62
Supplemental	298.45
3502 -Peoples Bank	1,643.37
3509 -Current Use applications	101.00
Copies	13.50
Checklists	10.00
Subdivision and zoning	336.26
Planning Board applications	101.64
3290 -Filing Fees, UCC Financing Statements	30.64
4153 -Attorney Kevin Bruno, refund of retainer	119.45
4191 -Reimbursement to Planning Board	625.36
3351 -Rooms/Meals Tax	1,229.90
4210 -Police reports	30.00
False alarms	210.00
3508 -Reimbursement -- Town Hall floor	1,000.00
4191 -Butterworth -- Overpayment	94.43
3356 -WMNF Payment in lieu of taxes	9,457.00
3506 -NHMA dividend	1,522.12
3912 -Library	65.59
4220 -Reimbursement from Fire Dept.	705.20
4196 -Reimbursement from Fire Dept.	840.00
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Total Receipts	\$450,282.03

DETAIL OF DISBURSEMENTS **Year Ending December 31, 1995**

2022 -PNC Mortgage		\$ 50.00
4130 -B. Collier	117.47	
Bank service charges	170.06	
BJ's Wordshop	2,317.20	
Wills Electric	94.73	
Glen Press	950.00	
NHMA	45.00	
White Mt. Publishers	61.43	
Postmaster -- Franconia	224.00	
G. Sorg	488.53	
B. Rodrigue	510.66	
Cartographic Associates	700.00	
Lyndonville Office Supply	111.95	
Real Data Corp.	20.00	
Office of Registrar of Deeds	84.28	
P. McLaren	345.00	
W. Donovan	75.00	
S. North	100.00	
		\$ 6,415.31
4140 -Loring, Short & Harmon	26.10	
B. Collier	1,586.60	
White Mt. Publishers	342.68	
Town of Franconia	31.30	
Dept. of Agriculture	98.50	
C. Hutton	53.60	
Loon Reservation Service	59.37	
G. Peckett	29.00	
NHCTC Assoc.	84.00	
P. Every	100.00	
L. Hackett	100.00	
N. Feenstra	30.00	
J. Duggan	20.00	
Return Item Fees, Peoples Bank	5.00	
		\$ 2,566.15
4150 -K. Donovan	564.72	
B. Collier	831.86	
S. Tomasetti	83.00	
N.H. Tax Collector's Association	15.00	
Safeguard	196.26	
Loring, Short & Harmon	16.50	

Grafton Co. Registry of Deeds	24.64	
Colony Process, Inc.	52.38	
Return Item Fees, Peoples Bank	20.00	
Loon Reservation Service	18.27	
R. Brigida	400.00	
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		\$ 2,222.63
1110.1 -Tax Collector -- 1995 lien		\$14,196.10
4152 -Cartographic Associates		\$ 635.00
4153 -Kevin R. Bruno		\$ 2,247.64
4155 -Peoples Bank -- Payroll taxes		\$ 298.35
4191 -White Mt. Publishers	348.20	
R. Every	408.28	
Butterworth Legal Publishers	109.54	
Office of Register of Deeds	52.00	
Franconia Hardware	75.50	
G. Sorg	259.73	
Provan & Lorber, Inc.	1,048.97	
NHMA	6.00	
No. Country Council	85.00	
Kenney Group	9.60	
J. Collier	5.00	
Ink Spot	98.00	
Courier	35.19	
BJ's Wordshop	37.80	
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		\$ 2,578.81
4194 -Franconia Hardware	62.53	
Harris Energy	615.37	
NYNEX	310.03	
PSNH	372.81	
Varney-Smith Lumber	167.58	
Pilgrim Furniture	13.49	
Littleton Home Decorating	70.54	
J. Cavanaugh & Son	810.00	
Amerigas	213.36	
Kenco	386.14	
M. Stepanik	141.00	
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		\$ 3,162.85
4195 -R. Every		\$ 850.00
4196 -NHMA	4,261.00	
CFNH	120.71	
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		\$ 4,381.71

4197 -No. Country Council	304.38	
N.H. Assoc. of Assessing Officials	20.00	
Chamber of Commerce	300.00	
	<hr/>	\$ 624.38
4210 -Grafton Co. Sheriff's Department	600.00	
Town of Franconia	230.75	
R. Every	3,146.02	
	<hr/>	\$ 3,976.77
4215 -Ross Ambulance	1,000.00	
Franconia Fast Squad	300.00	
	<hr/>	\$ 1,300.00
4220 -Easton Fire Department	12,693.27	
White Mt. Publishers	33.00	
Town of Franconia	230.74	
J. Duggan	500.00	
	<hr/>	\$ 13,457.01
4290 -Town of Franconia	29.25	
M. Valcourt	47.80	
Heiman Fire Equipment, Inc.	382.60	
	<hr/>	\$ 459.65
4312 -Bob Peckett & Sons	19,129.77	
A. Whitcomb, Inc.	49.54	
Carroll Wright	435.00	
AKZO Nobel Salt, Inc.	738.62	
N.H. State Prison Correctional Industries	38.63	
Pike Industries -- bal. of Art. #10	2,021.75	
	<hr/>	\$ 22,413.31
4324 -Town of Franconia		\$ 11,670.66
4415 -White Mt. Mental Health	207.00	
No. Country Home Health	508.00	
Littleton Hospital	250.00	
Grafton Co. Senior Citizens	100.00	
	<hr/>	\$ 1,065.00
4414 -Hospice		\$ 150.00
4130 -P. McLaren		\$ 25.00
4444 -Tri-County Assistance		\$ 325.00

4520 -Town of Franconia		\$ 3,080.39
4550 -Franconia Hardware	12.08	
Dartmouth Bookstore	158.30	
Harriet Taylor	264.80	
	<hr/>	\$ 435.18
4612 -Conservation Committee		\$ 200.00
4711 -FHA		\$ 1,800.00
4721 -FHA		\$ 2,273.62
4901 -R. Brigida	111.20	
A. Brigida	33.50	
	<hr/>	\$ 144.70
A#10- S.R. Williams & Sons, Inc.	2,030.00	
Pike Industries	3,970.00	
A#11- Littleton Area P & H	368.00	
A#12- Pilgrim Furniture	2,350.00	
4931 -Grafton County	36,807.00	
4933 -Lafayette Reg. School Dist.	139,544.00	
Profile Reg. School Dist.	139,935.00	
	<hr/>	\$279,479.00
		\$428,009.22

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE December 31, 1995

<u>Account</u>	<u>Amount</u>	
4152 Cartographics	\$ 112.50	
4153 Kevin J. Bruno	43.75	
4191 White Mountain Publishing	70.11	
4194 Vin Place	245.00	
4194 Franconia Hardware	18.55	
4194 PSNH	49.32	
4194 NYNEX	27.58	
4550 Dartmouth Bookstore	157.79	
	<hr/>	\$ 724.60

LAFAYETTE REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
Apportionment 1995-96

Total Tax Assessment based on 100 % of the 1993-94 ADM in Residence.

<u>Pre-existing Districts</u>	<u>Amounts</u>
Easton	\$ 153,586.00
Franconia	552,584.00
Sugar Hill	312,505.00
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	\$ 1,018,675.00

PROFILE REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
Apportionment 1995-96

Total Tax Assessment based on 80 % of the 1993-94 ADM in Residence and 20 % of the 1993 Equalized Valuation.

<u>Pre-existing Districts</u>	<u>Amounts</u>
Bethlehem	\$ 1,213,238.00
Easton	140,216.00
Franconia	498,747.00
Sugar Hill	327,040.00
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	\$2,179,241.00

REPORT OF THE EASTON FIRE DEPARTMENT

The Easton Fire Department reached its first benchmark in October 1995 as it completed 5 years as a fire company. This occasion was highlighted by a visit from Ray Burton who presented the members with a Certificate of Appreciation from the State of New Hampshire.

During the past 5 years, EFD responded to 73 calls from 911. In the past year, the Department responded to 16 incidents as follows:

Easton	9
*Franconia	3
*Sugar Hill	2
*Littleton	2

* = Mutual Aid Calls

Incidents included: Structural fires, MV accidents, stove fires, electrical fires, brush fires, trees on fire, downed power lines, downed trees on the road, fire alarm activations, flooded basements, station coverage stand-by requests, and Twin State Mutual Aid calls.

Response time was between 1 and 3 minutes with few exceptions. In 1995, 136 man hours were spent responding to fire calls.

Training continues to be a major priority of the Department. There were 1,131 man hours devoted to both formal and informal training in 1995. All firefighters attended 2 days of training conducted by the Twin State Mutual Aid Association. One firefighter completed a 125 hour course and was certified as a "Level One" firefighter and another was certified as a "Career Level" firefighter after completing a 70 hour course.

Regularly scheduled training exercises occur monthly at the station in addition to 2 training exercises conducted in conjunction with the Franconia and Sugar Hill Departments.

In 1995, two new firefighters joined the Department. This brings our number to 15 volunteers.

During National Fire Prevention Awareness Week a children's program was conducted at the Franconia Children's Center. A firefighter dressed as "Smokey the Bear" participated in Fire Safety Programs at some of the area schools.

Several firefighters volunteered their time and skills to renovate and paint the stairwell at the Town Hall in order to bring it up to Safety Code level. Firefighters also painted the Meeting Room at the fire station.

Ten Russian firefighters visiting the USA on a cultural and learning exchange program were hosted to a luncheon at the fire station. Food was provided by the Lafayette Lions Club and served by the Easton firefighters. A donation of \$100.00 was presented to the Russian Firefighters Fund by the Ammonoosuc Forest Fire Wardens Association.

The Fifth Annual Chicken BBQ Dinner was held in June. In addition to the dinner and raffle, this year we ran a Giant Yard Sale. Proceeds earned from the above

events, plus donations received, enabled the Firefighters Association to purchase 2 sets of turn-out gear and 2 Scott air tanks valued at over \$2,000.00.

Our thanks to the Kinsman Valley Club, Easton residents and non-residents for their continued support and generosity throughout the years.

A special thanks to the officers and firefighters who volunteered over 2,300 hours of their time in 1995. Seventy-five percent of the members have been with the Department since its inception and continue to devote their time and expertise far beyond what is expected from a volunteer department. The Town is indeed fortunate to have such a fine team of men and women who give so unselfishly of themselves as they respond to provide safety for the lives and property of those in our community.

Respectfully submitted
Joseph R. Duggan, *Chief*
Easton Fire Department

EASTON FIRE DEPARTMENT Results of Operation Year Ending December 31, 1995

	1995 <u>Budget</u>	1995 <u>Actual</u>	Over (Under)
Checking Account January 1, 1995	\$ 106.73	\$ 106.73	\$ -0-
Income:			
From Town of Easton	\$12,800.00	\$ 12,693.27	\$ (106.93)
Interest from bank	-0-	75.46	75.46
Total Income	\$12,800.00	\$12,768.73	\$ (31.27)
Expenses:			
Training	\$ 750.00	\$ 818.45	\$ 68.45
Bldg./Utilities	2,300.00	1,737.53	(562.47)
Equipment	3,400.00	4,286.47	886.47
Maint./Supplies	2,200.00	2,516.87	316.87
Administration	500.00	457.88	(42.12)
Meeting/Travel	350.00	171.50	(178.50)
"911" Emergency	400.00	205.20	(194.80)
Grafton Co. Ans. Svc.	600.00	600.00	
Twin State/Dues	200.00	200.00	
Fuel/Gas	600.00	400.00	(200.00)
Insurance	1,000.00	840.00	(160.00)
Chief's Stipend	500.00	500.00	
1995 Budget Total	\$ 12,800.00	\$ 12,733.90	\$ (66.10)
Checking Account Dec. 31, 1995	\$ 106.73	\$ 141.56	\$ \$34.83

REPORT OF TOWN FOREST FIRE WARDEN AND STATE FOREST RANGER

In calendar year 1995, our three leading causes of fires were children, non-permit fires not properly extinguished and smoking materials.

Violations of RSA 224:27 II, the fire permit law and the other burning laws of the State of New Hampshire, are misdemeanors punishable by fines of up to \$2,000 and/or a year in jail. Violators are also liable for all fire suppression costs.

To aid your Forest Fire Warden, Fire Department and State Forest Fire Officials, contact your local Warden or Fire Department to find out if a permit is required, This also helps to prevent unnecessary response to a controlled burn.

1995 FIRE STATISTICS

Forest Ranger Reported Fires	-0-	<u>Fires Reported by County</u>	
Lookout Tower Reported Fires	555	Belknap	11
		Carroll	50
Number of Fires for Cost Share Payment	465	Cheshire	39
		Coos	17
Acres Burned	437	Grafton	26
		Hillsborough	71
Suppression cost	\$147,000+	Merrimack	49
		Rockingham	106
Visitors to Towers	26,165	Stafford	78
		Sullivan	18

Local communities and the State share the cost of suppression on a 50/50 basis. The State of New Hampshire operates 15 fire towers, 2 mobile patrols and 3 contract aircraft patrols. This early detection and reports from citizens aid the quick response from the local fire departments.

"REMEMBER, ONLY YOU CAN PREVENT FOREST FIRES!"

ROBERT E. BOYD
Forest Ranger

JOSEPH DUGGAN, *Chief*
Forest Fire Warden

Forest Protection (603) 271-2217
Forest Management (603) 271-3456

Land Management (603) 271-3456
Information and Planning (603) 271-3457

CEMETERY TRUSTEES REPORT

Balance on hand -- January 1, 1995		\$ 1,415.34	
Receipts:			
From town	850.00		
Interment fees	50.00		
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Total Receipts		\$ 900.00	
		<hr/>	\$ 2,315.34
Disbursements:			
Flags, dues, Memorial Day	\$ 71.57		
Lawn Care	1,080.00		
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		\$ 1,151.57	\$ 1,151.57
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Balance on hand December 31, 1995			\$ 1,163.77

Respectfully submitted,
Gregory M. Sorg
Carol Hutton
Robert E. Every

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEE OF TRUST FUNDS

Year Ending December 31, 1995

Cemetery Reserve Funds									
Date of Creation	NAME OF TRUST FUND	PRINCIPAL			INCOME			Balance End Year	Total Prin. & Inc. at End of Year
		Balance Beginning of Year	Balance End Year	Balance Beginning Year	Income During Year	Balance End Year	Total Prin. & Inc. at End of Year		
1916	R. W. Young	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00	\$ 8.95	\$ 6.11	\$ 15.06	\$ 115.06		\$ 115.06
1922	P. Kinsman & B. Edwards	100.00	100.00	8.95	6.11	15.06	115.06		115.06
1937	Orin B. Bowles	200.00	200.00	17.90	12.27	30.17	230.17		230.17
1947	Arthur Pease	114.00	114.00	10.21	6.84	17.05	131.05		131.05
1949 & 1979	Charles A. Young	300.00	300.00	26.82	18.38	45.20	345.20		345.20
1959	Florence Pease	200.00	200.00	17.90	12.27	30.17	230.17		230.17
1966 & 1985	Whitcomb Tabbutt	600.00	600.00	53.49	36.63	90.12	690.12		690.12
1970	Edson & Harnet Bailey	100.00	100.00	8.95	6.11	15.06	115.06		115.06
1970	Leighton & Doolan	71.25	71.25	6.36	4.37	10.73	81.98		81.98
1971	M.H. & Idamae Bowles	100.00	100.00	8.95	6.11	15.06	115.06		115.06
1971 & 1989	William & Alice Muser	200.00	200.00	17.90	12.27	30.17	230.17		230.17
1973	Russell & Iva Stevens	50.00	50.00	4.45	3.08	7.53	57.53		57.53
1973	John W. & C.N. Leigher	100.00	100.00	8.95	6.11	15.06	115.06		115.06
1973	L. Gerard Paine	750.00	750.00	67.11	45.95	113.06	863.06		863.06
1974	Everett W. Bailey	100.00	100.00	8.95	6.11	15.06	115.06		115.06
1975	Howard Bonor	100.00	100.00	8.95	6.11	15.06	115.06		115.06
1979	William & Lillian Bailey	200.00	200.00	17.90	12.27	30.17	230.17		230.17
1979	Merton Edney	100.00	100.00	8.95	6.11	15.06	115.06		115.06
1979	Clayton & Sadie Glover	200.00	200.00	17.90	12.27	30.17	230.17		230.17
1980	Margaret Wolff	100.00	100.00	8.95	6.11	15.06	115.06		115.06
1984	Heinz & Helene Schultz	300.00	300.00	26.82	18.38	45.20	345.20		345.20

1985	William A. & Carol Bailey	200.00	200.00	17.90	12.27	30.17	230.17
1985	Stuart or Uncha Bowles	50.00	50.00	4.45	3.08	7.53	57.53
1988	Stewart & David Bowles	200.00	200.00	17.90	12.27	30.17	230.17
1988	Beulah Bowles	100.00	100.00	8.95	6.11	15.06	115.06
1990	John S. Noga	100.00	100.00	8.95	6.11	15.06	115.06
1990	Edward A. Hutton	100.00	100.00	8.95	6.11	15.06	115.06
1990	Gertrude Schulman	200.00	200.00	17.90	12.27	30.17	230.17
1990	Asa P. Ruskin	100.00	100.00	8.95	6.11	15.06	115.06
1991	Rosemary Johnston	25.00	25.00	.87	.64	1.51	26.51
1992	Russell & Ruth Towne	300.00	300.00	10.66	7.30	17.96	317.96
1993	Chris Jerome	100.00	100.00	3.54	2.43	5.97	105.97
1993	Mary E. Schlegel	600.00	600.00	21.24	14.51	35.75	635.75
1993	Walter Hold	100.00	100.00	3.54	2.43	5.97	105.97
TOTALS		\$ 6,260.25	\$ 6,260.25	\$ 499.11	\$ 341.61	\$ 840.72	\$ 7,100.97

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT 1995

The Library has had a successful year. The inventory of books is ongoing. Biographies and mysteries are complete and children's books are almost done.

One hundred seventy-three new books were added to the library this year. Forty-eight were purchased and one hundred twenty-five were presented as gifts. We appreciate the generosity of the donors. Special thanks go to the Whitcomb family for their gifts in memory of Peg Whitcomb.

The Library also subscribed to the Audobon Society and the Metropolitan Museum of Art. This has given us information on tours, exhibits, wild-life tips and many interesting and informative conferences or workshops available to the North Country.

A combination of bad weather, absence of the librarian and a change of hours to the first and third Monday evenings of the month, resulted in a small drop in circulation. However, since the change in hours has taken place, there has been an increase in patronage which will likely continue into 1996.

We would urge all the residents of Easton to visit their library in 1996 and discover and enjoy its unique flavor and heritage.

Respectfully submitted,
Harriet Taylor, *Librarian*

Easton Public Library Memorial Funds Certificate of Deposit

Balance January 1, 1995	\$ 629.68	
Interest Earned	29.68	
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Balance December 31, 1995		\$ 659.36

CONSERVATION COMMISSION Year Ending December 31, 1995

Balance in Checking Account--January 1, 1995	\$ 867.99
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RECEIPTS

Receipts from Town	200.00
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Interest from Bank	14.86
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\$ 214.86

DISBURSEMENTS

Bank Expenses	60.00
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\$ 60.00

Balance in Checking Account -- December 31, 1995	\$ 1,022.85
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SAVINGS ACCOUNT -- PEOPLES BANK

Balance in Account -- January 1, 1995	\$ 257.76
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Interest Earned --	7.17
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\$ 264.93

SELECTMEN'S REPORT

In addition to our normal executive functions, the Selectmen formulated a Town Hall rental policy, employee job descriptions and additional town ordinances.

Elizabeth Rodrigue
Gregory M. Sorg
Pamela McLaren

PLANNING BOARD REPORT

During 1995, the Easton Planning Board considered and approved three subdivisions, involving a total of eight lots, while also approving two minor lot line adjustments and one gravel pit excavation application. At its April meeting, the Board denied an application by NYNEX to erect new poles and wires along Sugar Hill Road, a town-designated scenic road.

On April 27th, the day set for the Superior Court hearing, in preparation for which the Town had incurred liability for outside attorney's fees and costs in the amount of \$2,127.89, the Durand Cooley Estate abruptly and unexpectedly unilaterally withdrew its suit against the town, which had challenged the Board's March 1, 1994, approval of David and Alice Shepards' application to subdivide the Estate's land on the westerly side of Sugar Hill Road. Believing that the suit had been brought maliciously and without just cause only for the purpose of coercing the Shepards into making concessions to the Estate by blocking their ability to develop and sell the lots on their portion of the subdivided land, a purely private matter having nothing to do with the Town, the Selectmen, with the full support of the Planning Board, have pressed ahead with their cross-petition against the Estate seeking reimbursement to the Town of its attorneys fees and costs. A hearing on that issue, set for the week of December 18, 1995, was continued at the Estate's request, and had not been rescheduled as of year's end. The withdrawal of the Estate's suit has, however, enabled the Shepards to proceed with the construction of the roads and other improvements of their 26 lot subdivision, which was nearing completion at year's end.

The other lengthy proceeding that continued to occupy the Board throughout 1995 was the effort begun in August, 1994, to bring about the submission of new plans for the road that had illegally been under construction since 1991 on John Block's land on the easterly side of Route 116. This matter appears at last to have been resolved by the Board's approval on January 9, 1996, of road plans and profiles prepared on Mr. Block's behalf by Keach-Nordstrom Associates.

The Board hopes in 1996 to be able to devote more of its time to considering amendments to its regulations, perhaps to include changes to its road construction standards and the addition of standards and requirements for installation of underground utilities.

Gregory M. Sorg,
Chairman

REPORT OF THE EASTON POLICE DEPARTMENT

The past year has been quiet. The department worked closely with the State Police on two cases. In one--a major theft--the individual has been indicted. In the other--a serious case of vandalism--a confession was obtained but the victim has thus far chosen not to press charges. Burglaries were almost non-existent. Most of the credit for this goes to Easton residents who have kept a close and alert watch.

During the year four motor vehicle violations were brought before Littleton Court with a finding of guilty on all. One was for reckless operation and the individual lost their license for 60 days and was fined \$350 by the court. All the tickets were issued to recently licensed drivers.

Lastly, let me again emphasize--KEEP YOUR EYES OPEN--WATCH FOR UNUSUAL ACTIVITY--EVEN DURING DAYLIGHT HOURS. There have been a lot of burglaries in surrounding towns. Easton has been spared because its residents keep their eyes open.

Thank you for the trust you have placed in me.

Respectfully submitted,
Robert Every

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE FRANCONIA LIFE SQUAD 1995

This past year the Life Squad has seen some of its longtime members step down after years of dedicated service to the three towns we serve.

We have been extremely fortunate to have new people move to town who are E.M.T.'s that have joined our squad. At year's end we hope to have all available spots on our squad full.

This year we used monies from Franconia, Sugar Hill, and Easton to purchase Uniform Reflective Jackets for all Squad members as well as turtlenecks to match. We also were able to purchase one new portable radio to be used by our Easton members.

Our sincere thank you to all three towns for their continued support of this vital service.

The following is a breakdown of our activity from January through December 1995. We have had a total of 108 reportable runs thus far.

Types of Incidents		Total Incidents by Month	
<u>Emergency Description</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Month</u>	<u>Total</u>
Motor Vehicle Accidents	22	January	9
Medical Emergencies	39	February	10
Rec. Vehicle Accidents	0	March	11
Bicycle Accidents	3	April	4
Misc. Health Problems	1	May	5
Cardiac Problems	10	June	11
Alcohol Problems	2	July	11
Deaths	3	August	14
Burns/Fire Related	0	September	17
Pediatric Emergency	5	October	6
Mt. Rescue Med. Emergencies	3	November	7
Attempted Suicide	1	December	3
Minor Med. Emergency	9		
CVA	1		
Struck by Lightning	2		
Air Plane Accident	1		
No Transport Required	6		

Total 108

Total

108

Total Incidents by Town

<u>Town</u>	<u>Total</u>
Franconia	70
Sugar Hill	22
Easton	12
Other	4

Total 108

Respectfully submitted,
Joel N. Peabody
Chief of F. L. S.

BASEBALL PROGRAM 1995

Over 93 children participated in the Instructional, Farm, Softball and Little League teams this past year.

The following people all volunteered there time and energy to coach and assist our coaches: Bill Hultgren, Matt Colpitts, Kevin and Trish O'Brien, Eric Larsen, David Brown, Jean Serino, Earl Collins, Darlene Coursey, Meg McLeod, Kurt Lucas, Cathy Galligan, Janet Powell, Chris Collman, Rene Willis, Karen MacLaughlin, Burt Herbert, Tom Allen, Bill Walsh, Jim Colongeli, Ted Marvelli, Steve Rush, Sally Field, and Jim Hunt.

Lastly, a special thank you to the volunteer umpires and assistants who make a tremendous contribution to the continued success of our program.

SUMMER RECREATION PROGRAM 1995

The Summer Recreation Program, which was based in town at the school this year, provided eight weeks of creative activities for over 100 children from Franco-
nia, Easton and Sugar Hill.

Our new location proved to be a challenge, yet our staff worked hard to make the transition smooth. Lead by our director Scott Kelly, and an energetic support staff--Paula Giacobbe, Libby Cossaboon, Keisha Luce, Jennifer Collins and Brian Frenkiewich. The children enjoyed hiking, sports activities, art projects, cooperative games and weekly field trips.

We welcomed back our swimming instructor, Jean Serino, who improved the aquatic skills of all our program participants.

Many thanks to all the parents and friends who volunteered their time and energy to support this worthwhile program.

WINTER RECREATION PROGRAM 1995

The Winter Recreation Program maintains the rink for use by the general public and for our hockey and figure skating program. The hours of operation, along with rules and regulations, are posted at the rink.

The 1995 season served 45 kids in the hockey program. Our coaches, Robert Fullerton, Mike Valcourt, Barry Field, and Amy Cyrs took our kids to Lyndonville and Lancaster. We sincerely thank our coaches as well as all the parents who volunteered their time and effort.

Our figure skating program, under the direction of Margo Connors, had 15 children involved. The kids loved the experience and Margo did an excellent job. Thanks Margo.

Special thanks to Ed Phillips and Jim Cavanaugh who maintain the rink. Their efforts are appreciated by all who use it.

KINSMAN VALLEY CLUB

A calendar for the activities of the Kinsman Valley Club scheduled to take place during 1996 is as follows:

April 13, 1996--The Kinsman Valley Club is sponsoring a guest speaker, Nils Nielson. Dessert and coffee will follow his talk.

September 28, 1996--The Annual Fall Sale at the Town Hall from 10 am until Noon.

October 24, 1996--The Fire Wardens Supper at the Town Hall.

The meetings of the Kinsman Valley Club have been changed to the first Wednesday at the Town Hall at twelve noon. Bring your lunch, dessert and beverage will be served.

All women residents of Easton are invited to join the Kinsman Valley Club which devotes its efforts to the betterment of the community and the establishment of congenial relationships throughout.

OTHER IMPORTANT DATES

Town Election Day-- 3:00 to 6:00 pm	Tuesday, March 12
Town Meeting -- 7:30 pm	Tuesday, March 12
Firemens Field Day and Barbecue	Saturday, June 24

The following reports will be available at the Town Clerk's office:

Grafton County Commissioners
North Country Council
North Country Home Health Agency
Tri-County Community Action
White Mountain Mental Health

HOSPICE of THE LITTLETON AREA

1995 Annual Report

EASTON

Hospice of the Littleton Area has completed its sixth year of providing volunteer services to residents of area communities. Our service area included the towns of Littleton, Bethlehem, Twin Mountain, Franconia, Sugar Hill, Easton, Lisbon, Lyman, Landaff, Monroe, Bath, and Woodsville/Haverhill. Volunteers provided supportive care at home, in hospitals, and in nursing homes to 50 individuals and families coping with the final stages of illness. Volunteers also conducted a bereavement support group and a cancer support group. Volunteers gave over 1300 hours in the provision of services.

Hospice conducts a yearly training session for individuals interested in becoming volunteers or in increasing their knowledge about hospice care. In the spring of 1995, seventeen individuals completed this training program. In an effort to better serve the Woodsville and Haverhill areas we conducted an additional training program in North Haverhill in the fall and 15 individuals completed this training program. We now have a total of 80 trained Hospice volunteers to support area residents.

Our organization was very pleased this year to offer support to two new area programs. We provided volunteer services to the North Country Home Health Agency's new Medicare Hospice Program and we offered supportive care to patients and families in the Littleton Regional Hospital's new Hospice Room which opened in May.

Although Hospice did not provide services to residents of the town of Easton during 1995, our volunteers have provided 283 hours of volunteers time and service to six residents and their families in previous years. Our Hospice Volunteer Training Program has trained one volunteer from Easton. Should the need arise, our services will be available to residents of Easton in 1996.

Your support of Hospice of the Littleton Area is greatly appreciated as we enter our seventh year of providing care to residents of area communities.

Respectfully submitted,
Holly Lakey, *Director*

EMERGENCY TELEPHONE NUMBER

9-1-1

**POLICE - FIRE
MEDICAL EMERGENCY**

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9-1-1

POLICE OFFICER

Robert Every - 823-8090

FIRE CHIEF

Joseph Duggan - 823-7129

FIRE WARDEN

Joseph Duggan - 823-7129

TOWN CLERK'S HOURS

Tuesday Morning

9am -- 12 Noon

Thursday Afternoon

4pm -- 6 pm

OR BY APPOINTMENT

Dogs must be Licensed by May 1, 1996

An up to date

DOG LICENSE & RABIES CERTIFICATE NUMBER

is required in Easton to License a dog.

There is a \$15.00 Penalty if dogs are not licensed by June 1st.

